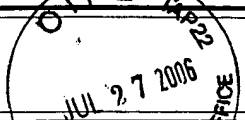


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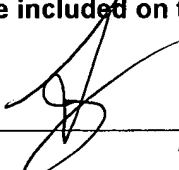
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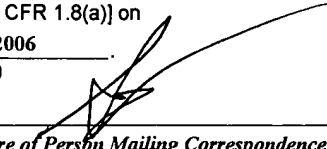
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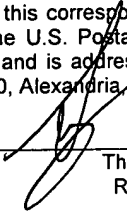
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This is a reply to the Final Office Action dated May 22, 2006 regarding the above-identified patent application. Claims 1-3, 5-7 and 9-32 are pending in the application. Claims 1-3, 5-7 and 9-32 have been rejected.

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